Senate Bill No. 1920

CHAPTER 132

An act to amend Section 40131 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to air resources.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1920, Knight. Air resources: air pollution control districts and air quality management districts: budget adoption.

Existing law provides for the establishment of air pollution control districts and air quality management districts. Each district is required to adopt its annual budget in accordance with certain requirements, including that the district provide notice of and hold a public hearing for the exclusive purpose of reviewing its budget and of providing the public with the opportunity to comment upon the proposed district budget. Existing law requires the public hearing for reviewing and commenting on the budget to be separate from the hearing at which the district adopts its budget.

This bill would require the public hearing for reviewing and commenting to be separated, by a period of not less than two weeks, from the hearing at which the budget is adopted, and would exclude districts with a population of 1,000,000 persons or less from the requirement that the public hearing for reviewing and commenting on the budget be held exclusively for those purposes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 40131 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

- 40131. (a) Each district shall adopt its annual budget in accordance with the following requirements:
- (1) The district shall prepare, and make available to the public at least 30 days prior to public hearing, a summary of its budget and any supporting documents, including, but not limited to, a schedule of fees to be imposed by the district to fund its programs.
- (2) The district shall notify each person who was subject to fees imposed by the district in the preceding year of the availability of the information described in paragraph (1).

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- (3) (A) The district shall notice and hold a public hearing for the exclusive purpose of reviewing its budget and of providing the public with the opportunity to comment upon the proposed district budget.
- (B) The public hearing required to be held pursuant to this paragraph shall be held separately, by a period of not less than two weeks, from the hearing at which the district adopts its budget.
- (C) In districts with a population of 1,000,000 persons or less, the hearing required under this paragraph may include other matters in addition to those required under subparagraph (A).
- (b) This article does not apply to the south coast district, which shall be governed by Article 8 (commencing with Section 40520) of Chapter 5.5.